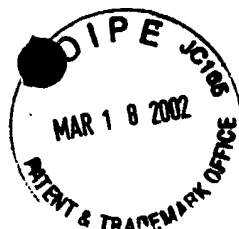


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Sir:

Submitted herewith is a copy of each of three forms PTO-1449 as originally filed in parent applications Serial No. 09/637,751, filed August 11, 2000, and Serial No. 09/544,713, filed April 6, 2000, with the docket number, serial number and filing date of the parent applications struck through and those of the present application written in. Also enclosed is a new form PTO-1449 listing documents cited by the examiner in parent application Serial No. 09/637,751 on form PTO-892. Each of the references listed on these forms PTO-1449 was previously submitted or cited by the examiner and is of record in the parent applications. Thus, copies are not provided.

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